Targets for providing telephones in Delhi

1586. SHRI J. K. JAIN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to refer to the answers to Unstarred Questions 893 and 949 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 25th November, 1985 and state:

(a) whether any targets have been fixed for providing telephone connections to the aspirants on the different categories of the waiting list of Delhi Telephones during the current financial year 1985-86;

(b) if so, details thereof; and

(c) what is the present capacity of telephone connections in Delhi?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) and (b) The target of provision of new telephones during the current financial year is 32,000 lines. The connections are generally released in proportion of 40 per cent, 40 per cent and 20 per cent in respect of OYT, Non-OYT General, and Non-OYT-Special categories respectively.

(c) The equipped capacity of Delhi Telephone system is 3,36.500 lines as on 31-10-85.

Commission on Judicial Reforms

1587. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal under active consideration of the Government to set up a Commission on Judicial Reforms;

(b) if so, by when the said Commission is likely to be set up; and

(c) what are the proposed terms of reference and what shall be the composition of the Commission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) The Government has decided to set up a Commission on Judicial Reforms.

(b) Necessary action is being taken to formally set up the Commission.

(c) This will be a one-man Commission and the terms of reference will be made public as and when the Commission is set up.

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REFERENCE TO THE FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF THE BHOPAL GAS TRAGEDY

MR. CHAIRMAN: Hon'ble Members will recall that the entire nation was shocked at the ghastly tragedy which occurred at Bhopal on December 3, last year due to the leakage of poisonous Methyle Isocyanate gas from a tank of the Union Carbide Factory, taking a toll of a very large number of innocent lives and causing serious ill effects on the health of several thousand others. It was indeed a tragedy of enormous magnitude. Today happens to be the anniversary of that tragedy. While the scientists are studying all aspects of the effects of the gas leakage and a legal battle is going on about compensation to be awarded to the victims, our hearts go to all those who have suffered due to this man-made tragedy. This House remembers those who have lost their lives and hopes that such a tragedy will never occur again anywhere in the world. We trust that all relief and succour will be provided to those who are affected.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Paraffin wax (Supply, Distribution and Price Fixation) Amendment Order, 1985

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI NAWAL KISHORE SHARMA): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table under sub-section (6) of section 3 of the Essential Commodities

Act 1955, a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas Notification G.S.R. No. 808(E), dated the 25th October, 1985, publishing the Paraffin Wax (Supply, Distribution and Price Fixation) Amendment Order, 1985.

[Placed in Library. *See* No. LT—1539/85.]

Indian Telegraph (Third Amendment) Rules, 1985

संचार मन्त्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री राम निवास मिर्धा) : सभापति महोदय, आप की आज्ञा से मैं भारतीय तार अधिनियम, 1885 की धारा 7 की उपधारा (5) के अधीन भारतीय तार (तीसरा संशोधन) नियम, 1985 को प्रकाशित करने वाली संचार मंत्रालय (दूरसंचार विभाग) की अधिसूचना सा०का०नि० सं० 982, दिनांक 19 अक्तूबर, 1985 की एक प्रति (अंग्रेजी तथा हिन्दी में) सभा पटल पर रखता हूं। [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-1539/85.]

I. Report and certificate Accounts (1984-85) of the Central Wakf Council, New Delhi and related papres.

II. Central Wakf Council (Amendment) Rules, 1985.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table--

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

(i) Annual Report and Certified Accounts of the Central Wakf Council New Delhi for the year 1984-85, together with the Audit Report on the Accounts.

(ii) Review by Government on the working of the Council.

[Placed in Library. *See* No LT-154/85 for (1) and (ii)].

II. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Law and Justice (Legislative Department) Notification G.S.R. No. 917, dated the 5th October, 1985, publishing the Central Wakf Council (Amendment) Rules, 1985 under sub-section (3) of section 8D of the Wakf Act, 1954 [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-1540/85]

Notification of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): Sir on behalf of Shri Janardhan Poojari, I beg to lay on the Table under section 159 of the Customs Act, 1962. a copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue) Notification G.S.R. No. 864(E), dated the 22nd November, 1985 extending the time limit for complete exemption from basic and additional duty of customs for denatured alcohol up to 31st March, 1986. [Placed in Library. *See* No. LT-1521/85].

Reports and Accounts (1982-83) of the National Bicycle Corporation of India Limited, Bombay and related papers.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTAL OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table—

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under sub-section (1) of section 619A of the Companies Act 1956:-

(i) Second Annual Report and Accounts of the National Bicycle Corporation of India Limited, Bombay, for the year 1982-83 together with the Auditors' Report